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SUBJECT: CONSULTATIONS ON GSP PRODUCT LIST

REF: A) STATE 219436 B) STATE 219437 C) SD 4110 (NOTAL)

- 1. ON SEPTEMBER 26 THE ECONOMIC COUNSELOR DELIVERED THE LIST TRANSMITTED IN REFTEL B, AND MADE THE REPRESENTATIONS OUTLINED IN REFTEL A, TO FERNANDO PERICHE VIDAL, DIRECTOR OF THE GODR'S CENTER FOR EXPORT PROMOTION (CEDOPEX).
- 2. PERICHE CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD THE NATURE OF THE LIST AND DID NOT RPT NOT SEEM CONCERNED ABOUT FUTURE DISCUSSIONS WITHIN THE SCCN.
- 3. PERICHE DID, HOWEVER, RAISE ONCE AGAIN (SEE REFTEL C) THE QUESTION OF THE TREATMENT OF SUGAR UNDER THE GSP, INDICATING THAT EITHER HE OR ONE OF HIS ASSISTANTS WISHED TO GO TO WASHINGTON, PERHAPS TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION CONCERNING PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT FOR SUGAR. PERICHE ELABORATED THAT THE GODR WOULD LIKE TO SEE EITHER THE \$25 MILLION CEILING FIGURE REMOVED FOR SUGAR OR TO HAVE SUGAR INCLUDED ON THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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- 4. THE ECONOMIC COUNSELOR AGREED TO ASSIST IN ANY WAY ON THE TRIP TO WASHINGTON AND INDICATED THAT, BECAUSE OF THE ANTICIPATED TWO MONTHS' LEAD TIME NEEDED BEFORE GSP GOES INTO EFFECT JANUARY I (AS DESCRIBED IN PARA 2 OF REFTEL A), PERICHE OR HIS ASSISTANT WOULD NEED TO GO TO WASHINGTON SOMETIME IN OCTOBER. PERICHE SAID THAT HE WAS LEAVING IMMEDIATELY TO HEAD THE DELEGATION TO THE LATIN AMERICAN SUGAR PRODUCERS' MEETING IN LIMA, BUT THAT UPON HIS RETURN HE HOPED TO FOCUS IMMEDIATELY ON THE QUESTION OF PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT FOR SUGAR.
- 5. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING REPLY ASAP TO REFTEL C CONCERNING THE STATUS OF THE COMMISSION'S HEARINGS ON SUGAR. HURWITCH

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